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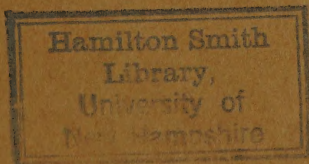
SURRY

NEW HAMPSHIRE

for the year ending

JANUARY 31

1933



SENTINEL PRINTING COMPANY
KEENE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
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SURRY, N. H.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

January 31, 1933

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REPORT OF SELECTMEN

VALUATION OF TOWN

Real estate,	\$237,675 00
Electric power line,	89,475 00
Horses, 59,	3,625 00
Mules, 1,	50 00
Cows, 183,	11,965 00
Oxen, 2,	125 00
Other neat stock, 61,	2,515 00
Sheep, 25,	62 00
Hogs, 1,	15 00
Fowls, 638,	581 00
Vehicles, 2,	100 00
Portable mills, 6,	1,300 00
Wood and lumber,	16,526 00
Gasoline tanks and pumps,	400 00
Stock in trade,	2,000 00
	\$366,414 00

TAXES ASSESSED FOR THE YEAR

State tax,	\$686 00
County tax,	607 27
Town charges,	650 00
School tax,	2,450 69
Highways and bridges,	1,223 86
State aid construction,	547 50
Street lights,	400 00
Payment on history note,	500 00
Painting town hall,	300 00
Overlay,	402 57
	\$7,767 89

Polls, 113 @ \$2.00,	\$226 00
National bank stock,	16 00
Amount committed to Collector,	\$7,371 89
Rate per cent on \$100, \$1.96.	

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF SURRY

ASSETS

Cash in hands of treasurer, Jan. 31, 1933,	\$1,293 73
Uncollected taxes, 1932,	1,900 46
Uncollected taxes, 1931,	9 67
Due from county, pauper claim,	30 00
Due from state, bounty on hedgehogs,	47 00
Due from state construction account,	135 07

\$3,415 93

LIABILITIES

Due schools,	\$554 66
Due schools, 1932 dog tax,	103 20
Unexpended balance in state treasury,	135 07
Unexpended balance in town treasury,	57 54
Unexpended balance on horse sheds,	12 30
Unexpended balance painting and repairs on town hall,	23 83
History note,	700 00
Library building fund,	2 34
Salaries due town officers,	250 00

\$1,838 94

LIST OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town hall,	\$8,000 00
Furniture and equipment,	350 00
Town library,	5,300 00
Town histories,	3,000 00
Schoolhouses,	2,500 00
Wright grove,	400 00
Highway equipment,	250 00
Fire department,	100 00

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

REGISTRY OF DOGS FOR 1932

36 male dogs,	\$72 00	
8 females,	40 00	
		\$112 00

PAID

Clerk's fees,	\$8 80	
		\$8 80
Paid treasurer,		\$103 20

PERMITS FOR REGISTRATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES

Issued 30 permits for 1932,	\$56 00	
Issued 44 permits for 1933,	137 23	
		\$193 23
Paid treasurer,		\$193 23

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES V. STILLINGS,

Town Clerk.

Surry, N. H., Jan. 31, 1933.

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

For Year Ending Jan. 31, 1933

Current revenue—from local taxes:

Property taxes, current year,	\$5,288 16
Poll taxes,	114 00
Property and poll taxes, previous year,	1,687 50
National bank stock tax,	16 00
	\$7,105 66

From the state:

State aid highway maintenance,	\$228 52
State aid highway construction,	1,001 44
Unemployment relief construction,	1,638 46
Railroad tax,	13 75
Savings bank tax,	82 79
Bounties,	33 60
Tax on interest and dividends,	61 86
	\$3,060 42

From the county:

Pauper account,	\$129 50
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Local sources except taxes:

Rent of town hall,	\$67 00
Dog licenses,	103 20
Interest collected on taxes,	70 56
Permits for registration of motor vehicles, (1932),	56 00
Permits for registration of motor vehicles, (1933),	137 23
	\$433 99

Receipts other than current revenue:

Temporary loan,	\$600 00
Sale of town histories,	25 00
Library building fund,	5,216 03
Cemetery trust fund,	3 00
Tax redemption to town, (Wilder lot),	64 40
	\$5,908 43
Total receipts from all sources,	\$16,638 00
Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1932,	1,751 17
	\$18,389 17

EXPENDITURES

Paid 201 orders drawn on the treasury by the selectmen,	\$17,095 44
Balance in treasury, Feb. 1, 1933,	1,293 73
	\$18,389 17

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES E. CONNOR,

Town Treasurer.

DISBURSEMENTS BY ORDER OF SELECTMEN

Robert M. Crain, services as selectman,	\$60 00
Hollis W. Harvey, services as selectman,	75 00
Geo. B. Conley, services as selectman,	60 00
E. W. Carpenter, services as tax collector, 1931,	60 00
J. V. Stillings, services as town clerk,	23 00
G. E. Connor, services as town treasurer,	30 00
H. W. Harvey, services as moderator,	9 00
E. M. Britton, services as sexton,	25 00
Grace E. Stillings, services as auditor,	10 00
Arthur M. Carpenter, services as supervisor,	12 00
I. Alice Crain, services as supervisor,	12 00
Ellen H. Scripture, services as supervisor,	12 00
Lois Anderson, services as ballot inspector,	6 00
Grace Stillings, services as ballot inspector,	6 00
E. W. Ball, services as ballot inspector,	6 00
John Shackett, services as ballot inspector,	2 00
H. E. Scripture, services as health officer,	5 00

 \$413 00
TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

Bonds for town officers,	\$37 00
Printing town reports,	43 20
O. E. Cain, town counsel,	20 00
Supplies and postage,	35 78
Typewriting,	4 00
Telephone,	3 10
Petition for special town meeting,	2 20
Selectman attending tax commission meeting,	1 50

 \$146 78
TOWN HALL EXPENSES

Lights for town hall and library,	\$40 92
Wood for town hall and library,	20 00

Janitor for town hall,	18 85	
Painting and repairs on town hall,	276 17	
		\$355 94

PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Police department,	\$5 25	
Charles G. Crain fire,	29 93	
Brush fire,	8 68	
Bounty on hedgehogs,	47 00	
		\$90 86

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

STATE AID MAINTENANCE

Expended by E. M. Britton,	\$66 00	
Expended by S. O. Davis,	162 52	
		\$228 52

STATE HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Balance in state treasury, 1932,	\$265 76	
Balance in town treasury, 1932,	132 88	
		\$398 64
Appropriated by state, 1932,	\$1,094 00	
Appropriated by town, 1932,	547 50	
		\$1,641 50
Expended by state,	\$1,224 69	
Expended by town,	612 84	
		\$1,837 53
Balance in state treasury,	\$135 07	
Balance in town treasury,	57 54	
		\$192 61

UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF CONSTRUCTION

Apportionment,	\$1,641 50
Expended,	\$1,640 54

TOWN HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE

Expended by Clifford Wilber,	\$545 78
Special appropriation, Hill road,	200 00
Expended by Clifford Wilber, breaking roads,	43 84
Expended by H. P. Porter,	79 60
Expended by H. P. Porter, breaking roads,	21 69
Expended by M. C. Lewis,	221 18
Expended on Newton road,	34 17
Fred Huntley, plowing roads,	29 75
R. E. Harris, plowing roads,	17 50
Breaking Newton and Hodgkins roads,	25 00
Sanding roads,	19 40
	\$1,237 91

GENERAL EXPENSE OF HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Earl Burt, work on snow plow,	\$18 85
Earl Burt, blacksmithing,	6 15
Repairs on drag,	3 73
Knowlton & Stone Co., tools and hardware,	24 16
	\$52 89

LIBRARY

Library building,	\$5,213 69
Librarian,	93 00
Wood,	12 00
Janitor,	21 00
Insurance on library building,	38 13
	\$164 13

PATRIOTIC PURPOSES

Memorial day, flags,	\$4 50
Flowers,	8 05
	\$12 55

STREET LIGHTS

Public Service Co. of N. H.,	\$399 96
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TOWN POOR

Aid,	\$191 49
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COUNTY POOR

Aid,	\$115 00
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CARE OF CEMETERIES

Care of village cemetery,	\$34 67
Mowing south cemetery,	4 00
Mowing West Hill cemetery,	2 00
	\$40 67

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Vital statistics,	\$2 50
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AUTO PERMITS

Registration fees,	\$18 50
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ABATEMENTS

Abatement,	\$19 60
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PAYMENT ON LOANS

Ashuelot-Citizens National Bank note,	\$600 00
Interest on note,	8 08
Emma Ellis note,	500 00
Interest on Emma Ellis note,	60 00
	\$1,168 08

PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTAL DIVISIONS

State tax,	\$686 00
County tax,	607 27
School district balance, 1931,	677 36
School district, 1932,	2,000 00

Respectfully submitted,
ROBERT M. CRAIN,
HOLLIS W. HARVEY,
GEO. B. CONLEY,
Selectmen of Surry.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Town of Surry, January 31, 1933

Trust Funds	Original Principal	Balance of income at beginning of year	Income during year	Expended during year	Balance of income on hand at end of year
Sumner Wilder,	\$200.00		\$8.08	\$8.08	
Mary Hayward,	200.00	\$199.85	16.12	7.44	\$208.53
Sarah F. Aldrich,	100.00	124.84	9.06	4.10	129.80
Chas. W. Reed,	100.00	8.60	4.36	6.50	6.46
Marietta C. Wright,	5,000.00		200.00	200.00	
Abijah Benton,	50.00	.04	2.02	2.06	
Hattie E. Streeter,	100.00	17.22	4.72	4.25	17.69
Arthur H. Britton & Stella Britton Jenks,	200.00	24.18	9.04	3.00	30.22
Mary A. Joslin,	100.00	8.46	4.36	3.25	9.57
Francis F. Field,	100.00	10.00	4.44	.50	13.94
Frank E. Nesmith,	150.00	5.98	6.28	9.25	3.01
Helen J. Wilcox,	100.00	3.13	4.16	3.25	4.04
Vincellette fund,	100.00		5.41	3.25	2.16
Bradley Britton,	100.00		4.37		4.37
Reed Free Library,	4,000.00		161.60	161.60	
Library Bldg. fund,	2,731.75	681.47	107.28	3,216.03	*304.47

*Balance of Principal.

Authorized by vote of Town most of the principal of the Library Building Fund has been used for the purpose for which it was established. Two thousand dollars were received and paid at once to Town Treasurer.

MARY E. BRITTON,
FLOYD E. BRITTON,
Trustees of Trust Funds.

REPORT OF TOWN AUDITOR

I hereby certify that I have audited the accounts of the town officers of Surry and find them to be correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, with vouchers therefor.

GRACE E. STILLINGS,
Auditor.

February 15, 1933.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board and Citizens of Surry :

I herein submit my tenth annual report as superintendent of schools.

The economic situation today compels us to weigh everything that we are doing to make sure that it is worth while, to evaluate it from an economic standpoint, to make sure it is being done in the best way possible and at the least cost commensurate with efficiency.

Your school officers have tried to eliminate unnecessary leaks, to take advantage of every reduction of costs in needed materials, to maintain standard qualities and not to cripple the efficiency of the teachers through lack of things necessary for successful work.

Taxes and tax burdens are today the topic of much discussion. There is no denying that public education faces a crisis. What shall we do? Shall we lose faith?

Due to the world-wide depression, a popular wave for the cutting of teachers' salaries swept over the country last year.

An error was made in placing the development of children on a level with mercantile and manufacturing business. For the business may recuperate its loss when times become favorable; but the loss to the developing child is loss forever.

Here, I wish to commend the action of the towns of my district, in the fact that five of the eight towns maintained the same salaries for their teachers, and the other three towns made only moderate cuts.

If I may judge from what I read in the papers today, the peak of cutting teachers' salaries is past. The wave is on its ebb.

A question which is sometimes asked is: "How far can a man go into the woods?" The answer, "Only half way." For after that he is on the way out. We trust that as far as the depression effects our public school system, New Hampshire and the rest of the country are on the way out.

However, let us be optimistic. Let us not take the props from under the bridge over which the country must travel to reach better times. But, as citizens of the greatest republic in the world, let us be mindful of the following facts: (1) The school is the agent of the state in preserving itself. (2) Education is not a charity but a part of the national defense. (3) Education is the author of national ideals, the moulder of the soul of America.

Therefore, let us resolve: Not until other means have been exhausted, should the necessary appropriations for education be touched. We have no right to punish the children for our lack of foresight, and they are the ones who will suffer under this procedure.

The above statements are made not for any emolument unto myself, but they are made in the interests of your children and for the prosperity of our state and nation.

PROMOTIONS

The following numbers of promotions in respective grades were made in June:

Grades,	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII
North End,	4	0	3	2	1	1	4	2
Village,	1	2	4	3	4	2	2	1
Totals,	5	2	7	5	5	3	6	3

The above promotions were made on the following points viz.: regularity of attendance, term rank, standard tests, and regular examinations given by the teachers.

Stanford's Achievement Tests were given; one at mid-year and one in June.

The Otis Standard Graduation examination for elementary schools, Form C was given to the eighth grade.

In these tests, the pupils showed a regular year's work in their respective grades.

The following pupils were promoted from the eighth grade: Lois Ball, Jessie Tedford and June Ashley.

TEACHERS FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1932

North End, Gloria Stratton.

Village, Mrs. Ruth Connor.

Both teachers did faithful work in their respective school, and a good year's work was accomplished. Mrs. Connor continues her services at the Village school, but Miss Stratton having resigned, Miss Ruth Bemis, a graduate of Keene Normal, three year course, was chosen for the North End school.

Both schools are well organized at present and give promise for a successful year.

HEALTH ACTIVITIES

The school nurse, Margaret E. Harris, R. N., examined 29 pupils in the month of Sept. 1931, with the following results:

Underweight (10%),	5
Defective vision,	2
Defective hearing,	1
Anaemia,	1
Nervous condition,	1
Deformity,	1
Defective teeth,	14
Diseased tonsils,	11

Defective breathing,	5
Enlarged glands,	3
Defective speech,	1
Cases of communicable diseases:	
Skin diseases	1
Protection against communicable diseases:	
Number vaccinated,	24
Excused by board of health,	3
Unsuccessfully vaccinated three times,	1

SPECIAL WORK

Dental clinic, at Gilsum, Apr. 29, number treated, 7

T. & A. clinic, financed by a friend.

Hot lunches served during the winter.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the school board, teachers and parents for their co-operation and support.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK T. JOHNSON,

Superintendent of Schools.

Marlborough, N. H., Feb. 14, 1933.

STATISTICS FOR SCHOOL YEAR 1931-1932

Total length of school year in weeks,	36
Number of different pupils registered during year,	44
Number of half-days schools were in session,	346
Number of half-days schools were closed for holidays,	14
Average membership in the schools,	29.74
Average attendance,	28.78
Percent of attendance,	96.77
Percent of attendance for the district,	94.88
Number of pupils not absent nor tardy during year,	7
Number of visits made by school board members,	2
Number of visits made by superintendent,	42
Number of visits made by citizens,	22

HONOR ROLL

Pupils Neither Absent Nor Tardy
FIRST PERIOD OF NINE WEEKS

*Mary Anderson	*June Conant
Herbert Ball	Stanley Conley
*Lois Ball	Ray Davis
*Sarah Ball	*Florence Lewis
William Ball	Lillian Lewis
Alexander Bruder	Marl Malcolm
Dorothy Conley	Ruth Porter
Beverly Conant	*Bertha Scripture
Nancy Scripture	

SECOND PERIOD OF NINE WEEKS

Mary Anderson	Florence Lewis
Herbert Ball	Lillian Lewis
Lois Ball	Mary Malcolm
Sarah Ball	Ruth Porter
Eleanor Conant	Bertha Scripture
June Conant	Nancy Scripture

THIRD PERIOD OF NINE WEEKS

Mary Anderson	Gilbert Conant
Lois Ball	June Conant
Sarah Ball	Ray Davis
William Ball	Florence Lewis
Bertha Scripture	

FOURTH PERIOD OF NINE WEEKS

Mary Anderson	June Conant
Alexander Bruder	Willard Gordon
Lois Ball	Florence Lewis
Sarah Ball	Lillian Lewis
Eleanor Conant	Mary Malcolm
Gilbert Conant	Ruth Porter
Bertha Scripture	

*Perfect attendance for year.

REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

FINANCIAL REPORT

For School Year Ending June 30, 1932

RECEIPTS

State equalization fund,	\$1,385 37
Local taxation:	
For the support of elementary schools,	\$1,912 63
Payment of High School tuition,	350 00
Salaries of district officers,	64 00
Per capita tax,	76 00
Superintendent's salary,	71 46
Special appropriations,	100 00
Dog licenses,	103 27
Income from local Trust Fund,	9 10
Cash on hand July 1, 1931,	6 36
Total,	\$4,078 19

EXPENDITURES

Salaries of district officers,	\$64 00
Superintendent's salary,	74 08
Expenses of administration,	18 69
Teachers' salaries,	1,900 00
Text books,	47 39
Scholars' supplies,	52 81
Flags,	5 67
Other expenses of instruction,	6 18
Janitor service,	108 00

Fuel,	56 25
Water, light and janitor supplies,	43 61
Minor repairs and expenses,	41 31
Medical inspection,	49 52
Transportation of pupils,	647 00
High School tuition,	302 85
Per capita tax,	76 00
Alteration of old buildings,	37 55
New equipment,	23 00
Cash on hand June 30, 1932,	524 28
Total,	\$4,078 19

SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE 1933-1934

Support of elementary schools, \$5 tax,	\$1,916 19
Salaries of district officers,	64 00
High School tuition (estimated),	694 08
Superintendent's salary,	53 85
Per capita tax,	94 00
Total,	\$2,822 12
Special appropriation:	
Repairs,	100 00
Total,	\$2,922 12

Respectfully submitted,
 HARRIE E. SCRIPTURE,
 ERNEST W. BALL,
 I. ALICE CRAIN,
 School Board.

REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

For the Year Ending June 30, 1932

Balance in treasury June 30, 1931,	\$6 36
Received from Selectmen:	
Appropriations for current year,	2,574 09
Dog tax,	103 27
Income from trust funds,	9 10
Received from State Treasurer,	1,385 37
Total receipts,	\$4,078 19
Paid 129 orders by School Board,	3,553 91
Balance on hand June 30, 1932,	\$524 28

CLARENCE H. FRENCH,
District Treasurer.

VITAL STATISTICS

To the Selectmen :

In compliance with an act of the legislature, passed June session, 1887, amended by the legislature of 1889, requiring "clerks of towns and cities to furnish a transcript of the record of births, marriages and deaths to the municipal officers for publication in the Annual Report," I hereby submit the following :

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SURRY, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1932.

Date of Birth.	Name of Child (if any.)	Sex and Condition.			Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father.	Age of Mother.
		Male or Female.	Lying or Stillborn.	No. of child 1st, 2d, etc.							
Mar. 20	Don	M	S	1	Philip A. Scripture	Dorothy A. Livingston	Clerical work	Keene	Springfield, Mass.		
June 11	Charles Medoff	M	L	1	Charles Medoff	Lona G. Williams	Salesman	Boston, Mass.	Keene		
July 26	Jean Mecham	F	L	1	Ivan Mecham	Rachel Woodward	Farmer	Newport, Vt.	Keene		

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SURRY, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1932.

Date of Marriage.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age in Years.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of each.	Names of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Condition.	Name, Residence and Official Station of person by whom married.
July 25	Keene	Edward C. Gardner Louise M. Britton	Surry Surry	22 24	Poultryman House work	Keene Surry	Fred M. Gardner Edith A. Gorges	Pr. Edw. Keene Keene	1st	Rv T W Dance
Sept. 24	Keene	Donald G. Davis Alice C. Thayer	Surry Boston, Ms.	22 18	Truckman Waitress	Keene Keene	Bertha M. Clark Guy W. Davis Fannie E. Smith Lester Thayer	Keene Athol, Mass. Langdon Keene	1st 1st 1st	Rv. A. H. Reed Keene
Nov. 11	Keene	Harold V. Griggs Virginia C. Brown	Surry Keene	25 26	Farmer Box shop	E. Hartford Ct. Beckmant'n, N Y	Carrie Campbell Charles Griggs Catherine Roche Jos. Duquette Eliza E. King	Langdon Putnam, Conn. Ireland Plattsburg, N. Y. Redford, N. Y.	1st 1st 2d	F H White b J P Keene

*What marriage—whether 1st, 2d, etc.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SURRY, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1932.

Date of Death.	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age			Place of Birth.	Sex and Cond'n		Place of Birth.		Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.
		Years.	Months.			Male or Female.	S, M, W. *	Father.	Mother.		
			Days.								
Mar. 20	Infant Scripture	76	8		Keene	M	W	Keene	Springfield, Ms.	Philip A. Scripture	Dorothy A. Livingston
June 17	Phebe L. Guillow	23	5	2	Westmoreland	F	W	Westmoreland	Westmoreland	Freeman Wilber	Nancy Hall
July 26	Stephen J. Dutele	23	5	5	Wilder, Vt.	M	M	St. Marys, Que.	St. Helen, Que.	Theodore Dutele	Demaig Rioux
Dec. 25	Lizzie M. Blake	77	6	24	Walpole	F	W	Walpole	Walpole	O. H. P. Watkins	Mary P. Arnold

*Single, married or widowed.

I hereby certify that the foregoing transcript of births, marriages and deaths is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JAMES V. STILLINGS,
Town Clerk.

